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OPERATIONAL INSTRUCTIONS ON THE MOVEMENTS OF AGENTS.

From: NEW YORK

To: BUENOS AIRES

No.: -

17 November 1941

1. SONIA[1] - this is SIGUEIRO.
2. What is the object of GORDON's journey to our country? From the point of view of our cause we do not see any purpose in it.
3. It is very important for us that the replacement of BRIONES be hastened. If this is impossible, try to send out to him an adviser [SOVETNIK], or a secretary from our friends[11]. Inform us about measures taken and results.
4. Report in more detail about the friend in VICHY, his relatives, their possibilities.
5. We are very interested in sending a strong and reliable man to Portugal. Select such a man and report to us his personal data [KHARAKTERISTIKA] and possibilities for the purpose of approval.
6. Send more detailed information on the base in Portugal about which you wrote.

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7. In your letter of 13th September you wrote about the proposed departure in October of the first [person][a] to Spain and the other to Portugal. Report what sort of people they are, whether they have left, what are their tasks and what arrangements have been made for liaison.

8. Concerning the movement of Germans, Italians and other suitable people: select such people, prepare them for movement, work out thoroughly liaison with them and their possibilities, and come to an agreement with them about your measures.

9. Report what sort of steamship communication exists between your [country][a] and the other countries of South America and Europe. What [are the][a] steamships, what flags do they fly, [what are][a] the assignments of these ships, between what ports and how often do they sail? From which port and on which steamships could it be best in your opinion to move [PEREGRAS.] our people? Are they reliable captains?

10. You can write [C] also to the first address which we fixed in our last letter. Only add after "LONG ISLAND" the word "City".

Greetings.

T.N.: [a] Inserted by the translator

Comments: [1] This letter was enclosed with the use of the book "Una Excursión a Los Indios Ranqueles". On 10th August 1944 NEW YORK MGB reported to MOSCOW that, for correspondence with "ARTUR", the same book had been used [S/NBF/T399, Item 1]. It is clear from other references to "ARTUR" in the NEW YORK/MOSCOW traffic that he was based in South America. It therefore seems that "ARTUR" and "SONIA" may be identical. Furthermore, on 19th May 1944 the MGB resident in NEW YORK informed MOSCOW that they had in mind sending by "GRISHA" (an agent whom they proposed sending to Chile) a letter for "ARTUR" and "ALEKSANDR" [S/NBF/T131]. "ALEKSANDR" [or "ALEX"] is mentioned in three of the letters passed between NEW YORK and BUENOS AIRES. Neither "ARTUR" nor "ALEKSANDR" is identified.

[11] Possibly a cover-word for members of the local Communist Party.

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